

AN IMPROVED DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER WITH DC OFFSET CANCELLATION

Abstract

There is disclosed an improved differential amplifier (20) having a feedback loop that generates an amplified output signal (V_{out}) from an input signal (V_{in}) supplied by a preceding stage. It comprises an input matching circuit (11) connected to said preceding stage, a buffer (22) and an amplification section (12) connected in series in the direct amplification line, a first amplifier (16), a RC network (17') and a second amplifier (23) connected in series in a parallel loop between the outputs and the inputs of the amplification section that generate the feedback signal. The role of said buffer and second amplifier associated in a dedicated direct and feedback signal combining block (21) is to respectively isolate the input signal and the feedback signal from the summing nodes (A' , B') at the amplification section inputs. As a result, the summation of the input signal and the feedback signal is improved, the DC component of the output signal is filtered out in order to significantly reduce the DC offset. In addition, the input impedance matching represented by parameter S_{11} is considerably improved.